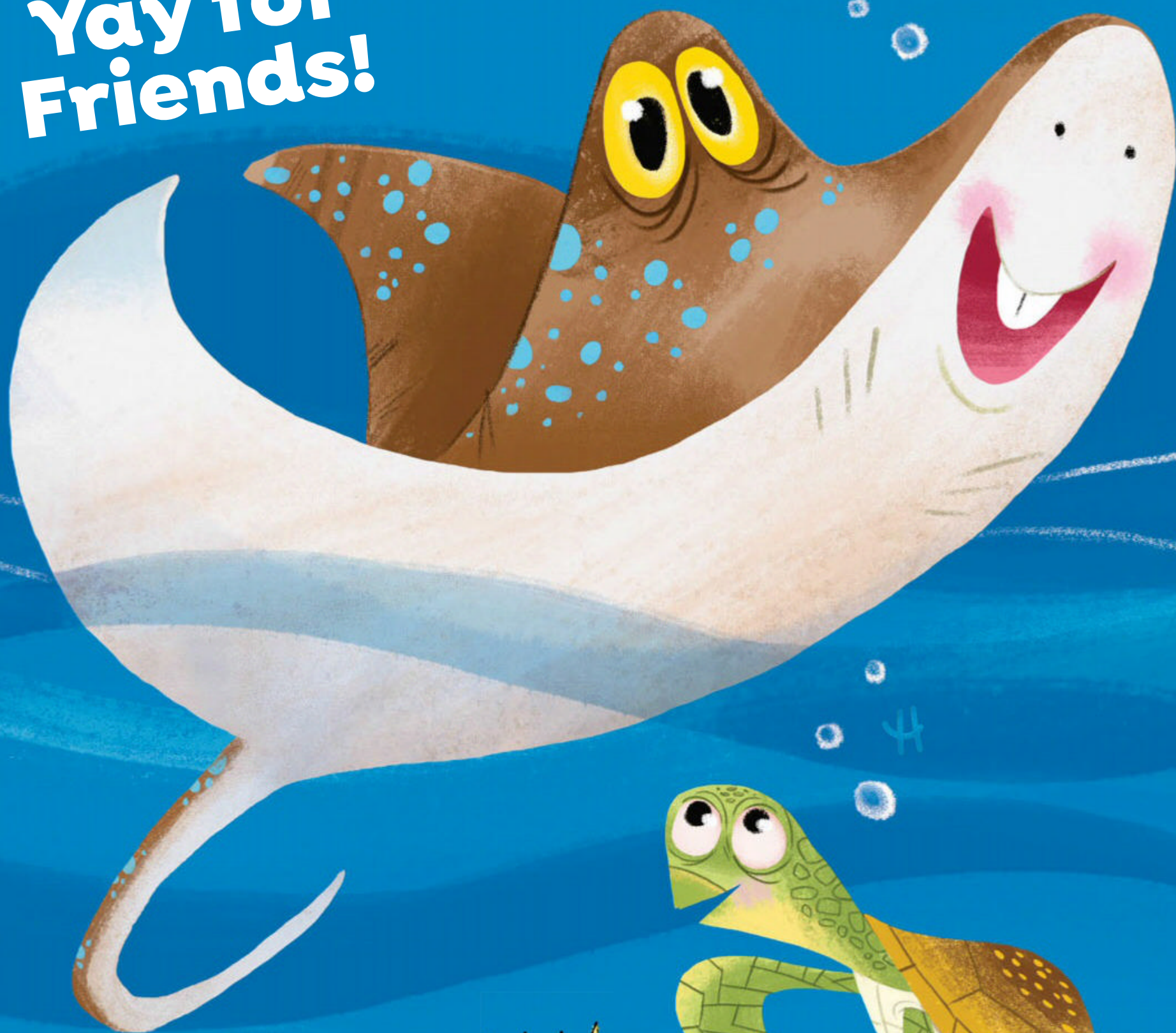


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Delightful Details

As a child, I loved the book *Rumpelstiltskin*, retold and illustrated by Paul O. Zelinsky. I found the story a bit scary, but the illustrations were fascinating. The colors, the details, the characters—there was so much to look at and think about.

Great illustrations grab readers' attention and give us lots to consider. They build on the text and add more to the story.

In this month's issue, I hope you and your family will enjoy all the details in "A City Surprise" (pages 12–15). As you read, you might encourage your child to point to each character mentioned in the text. And as you look, you might notice other details. One of my favorite details is the "Missing Cat" poster—and the cat that's waiting patiently to be noticed.

As we celebrate summer, I hope you and your family will find some delight in the details, both on and off the page.

Sincerely,

Meghan Dombrink-Green, Editor

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Vivienne, age 8, and Koa, age 5, from Florida show us their delightful veggie bugs (March 2021).

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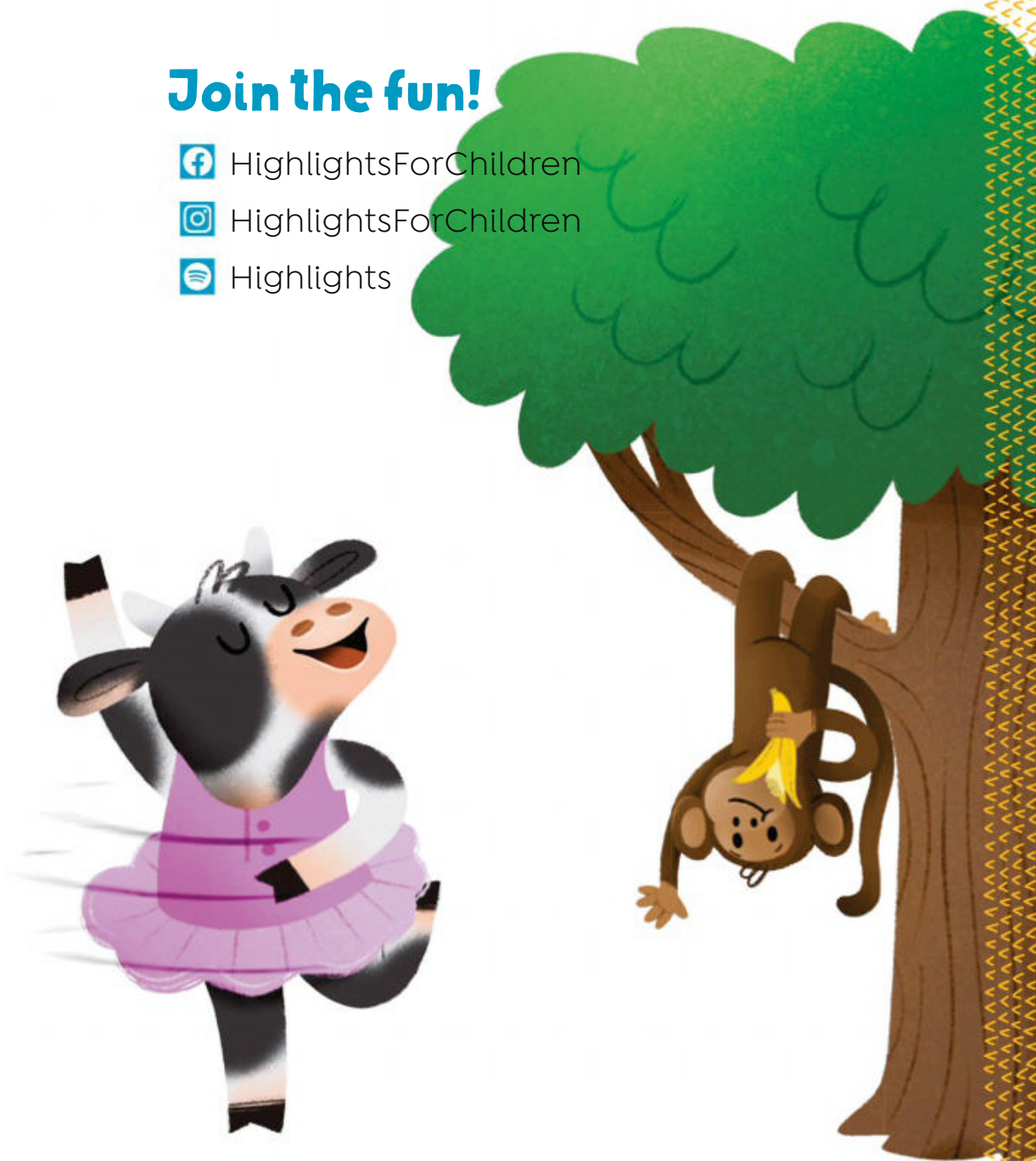
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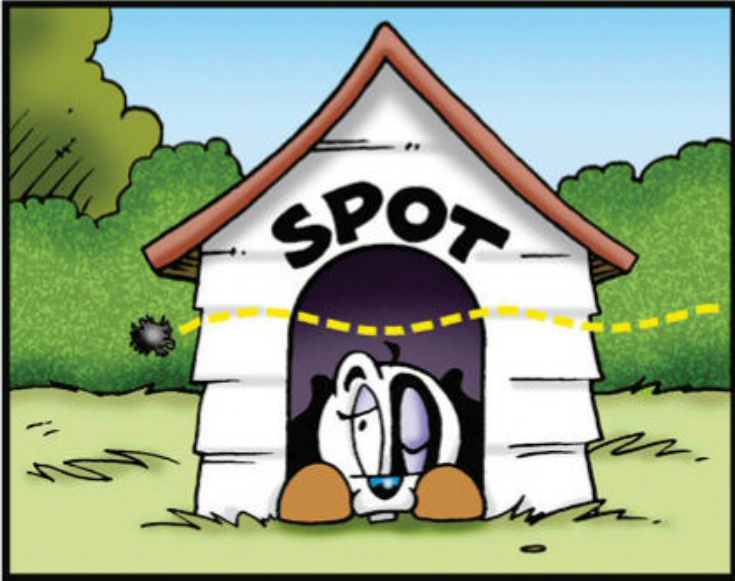
String lights and streetlights,
And headlights on cars.
We turn off our flashlights
When we look at the stars.



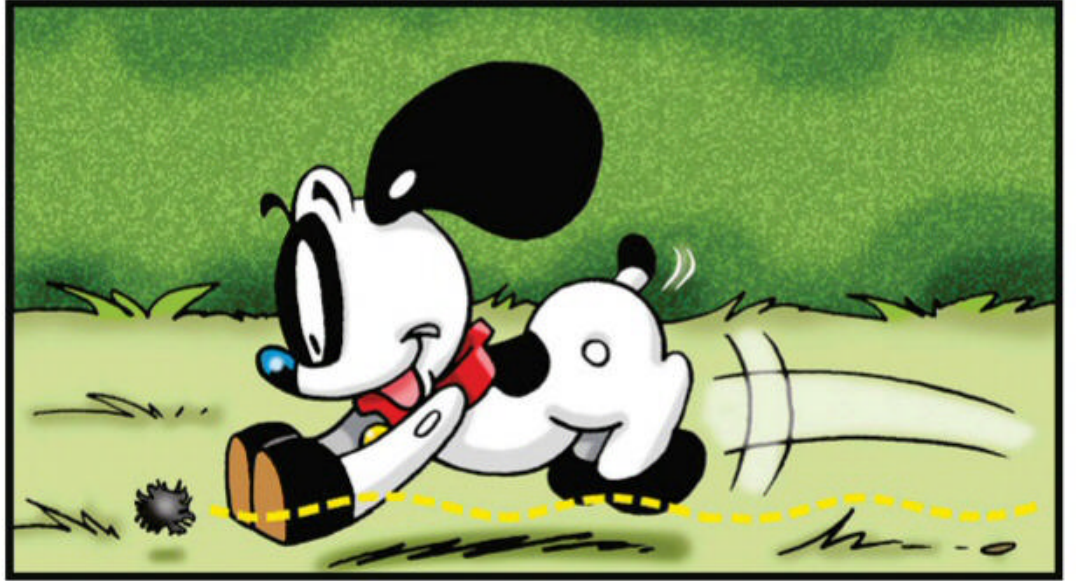
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By Annie Rodriguez ★ Art by Ron Zalme



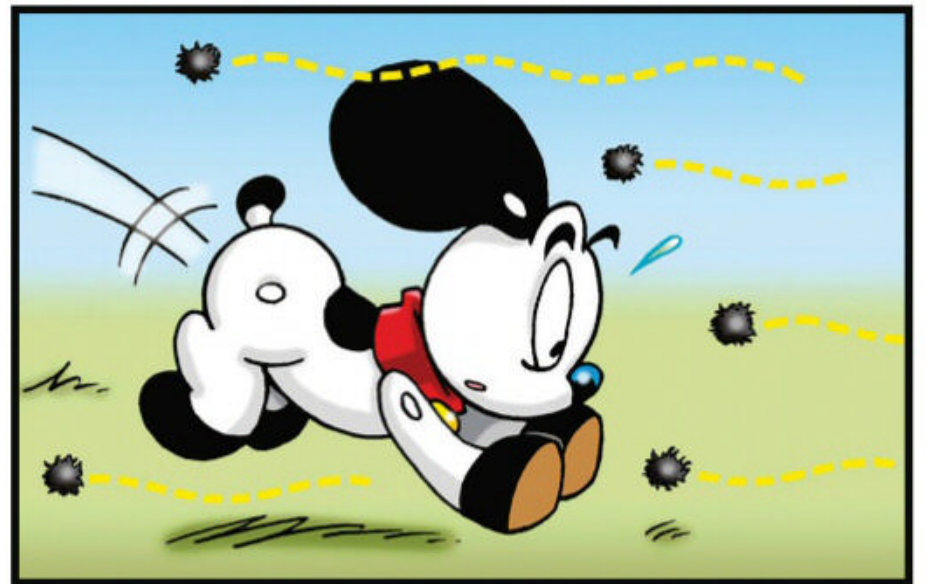
Spot sees a fluffy ball.



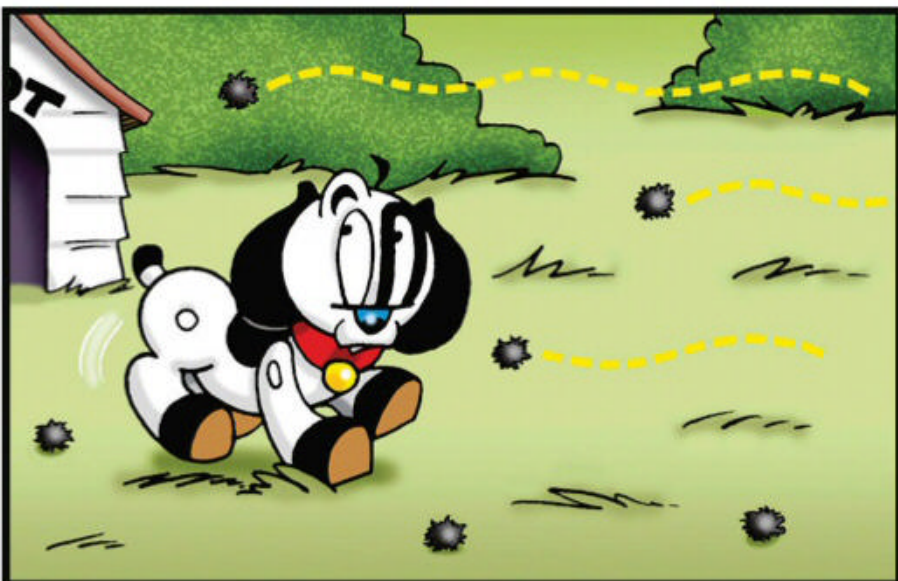
He tries to catch it.



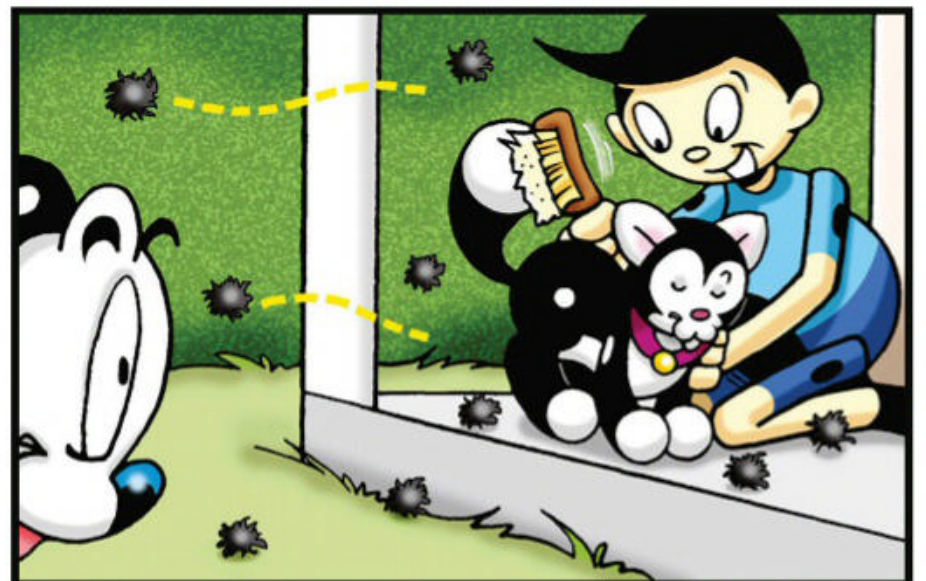
Other fluffy balls pass by.



Spot tries again.



Where are they coming from?



Splinter is getting brushed!



A Delicious Rainbow

By Lissa Rovetch ★ Art by Deborah Melmon

The twins were helping out at their parents' store.

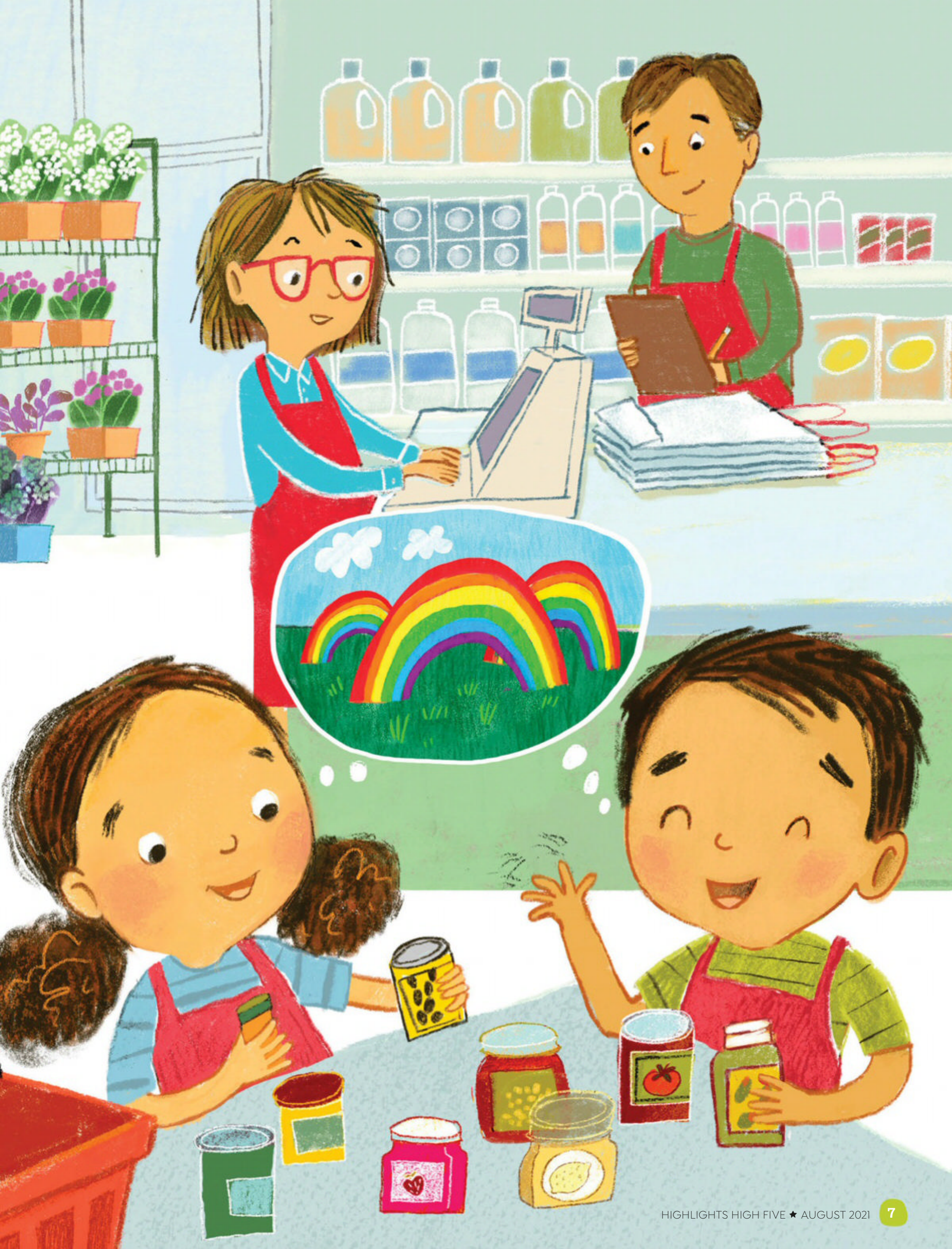
"Farmer Abby should be here soon," said Mom. "She called to say she's on her way with a rainbow box."

"How can she put a rainbow in a box?" asked Tex, giggling.

"Maybe she's a magic farmer," said Indi, "with a farm full of magic rainbows."

"Yeah," laughed Arizona. "I bet she knows exactly how much water and sunshine it takes to grow the best rainbows."



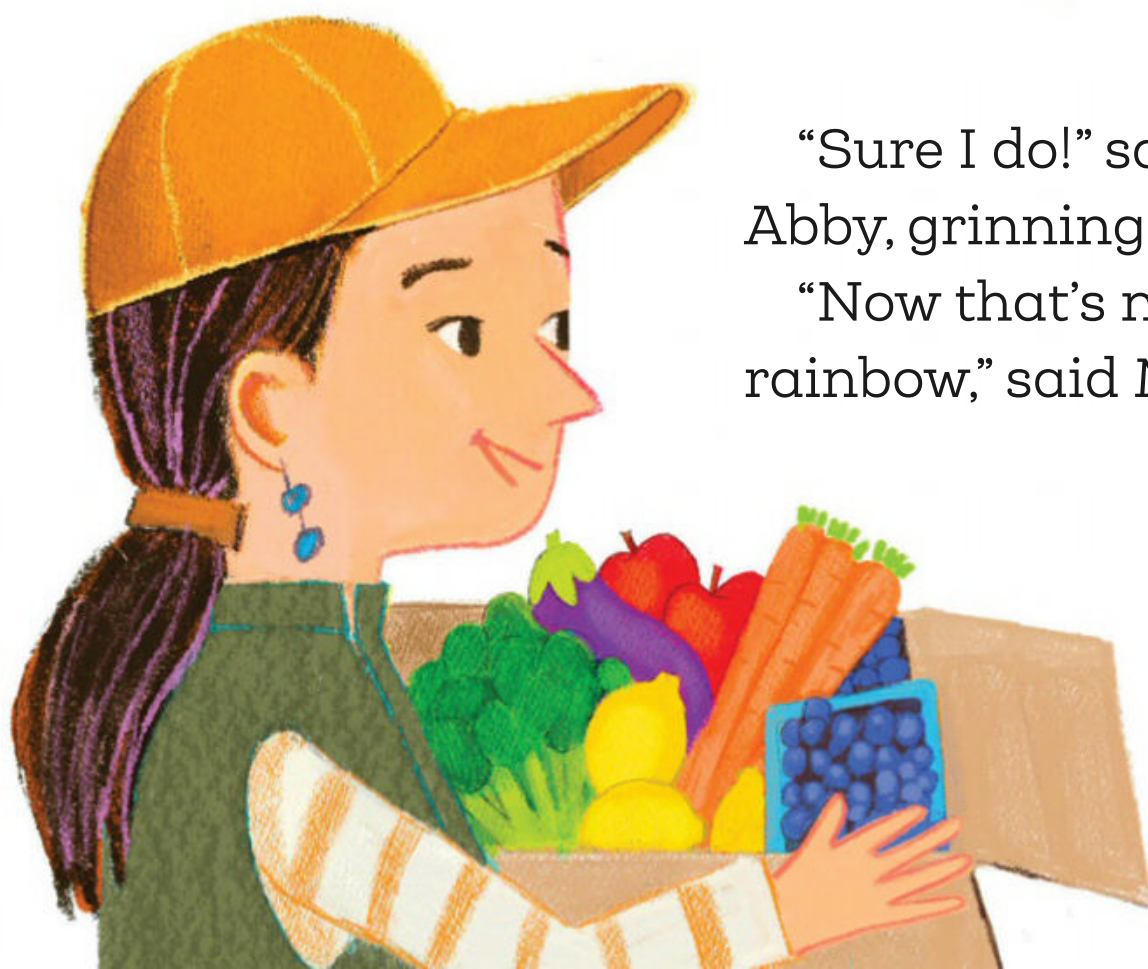




The door chimes rang and Farmer Abby came in, carrying a large box.

“Welcome!” said Dad.

“Hi!” said Tex. “You don’t really have a rainbow in there, do you?”



“Sure I do!” said Farmer Abby, grinning. “Ta-da!”

“Now that’s my kind of rainbow,” said Mom.



“Mine too,” said Farmer Abby. “A tasty rainbow of fruits and veggies for your store. We’ve got purple eggplants, blue blueberries, green broccoli, yellow lemons, orange carrots, and here—a red apple for you to try.”

“Yummy in my tummy,” said Indi, munching on her apple. “I never knew rainbows could be this delicious!” 🍏

My First Hidden Pictures



Splash Time



Crown



Muffin



Envelope



Glasses



Fish



Art by Esther Hernando

Find the objects hidden in the picture!



Ruler



Bread



Banana



Bat

Can you
find this bat
on the back
cover?

A City Surprise

By Peggy Sheridan ★ Art by Karen Bunting

Our building has a special place. You can't see it from the sidewalk or your window.

It's where Benito's nonno picks tomatoes for his pasta sauce. It's where Miss Fadil keeps her bees, who make honey for her tea. It's where Mrs. Garcia gathers eggs for her cake. It's where I help grow vegetables to eat all summer and fall.



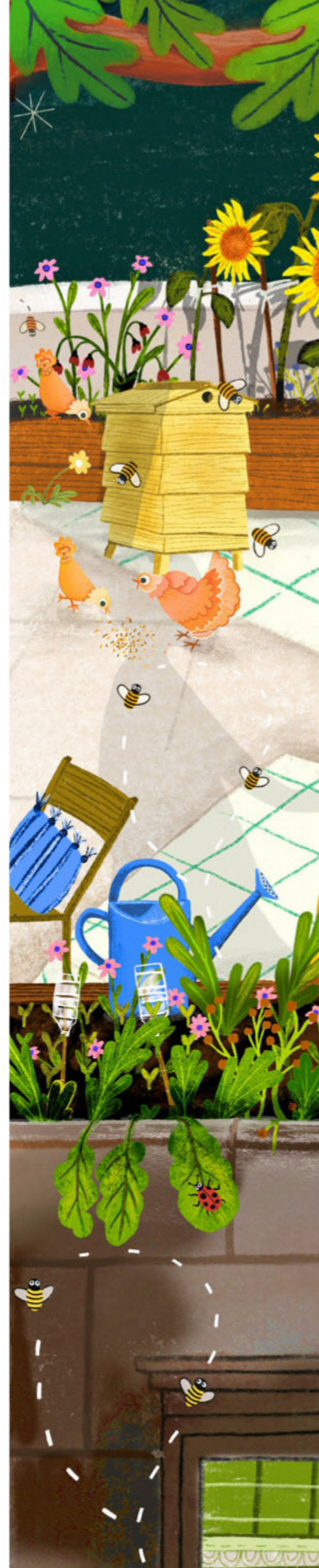


Want to see?
First, up the
elevator to the
top floor.



Next, through
this door.

Welcome to
our rooftop
garden!





Tonight is our sharing picnic. It's time to eat
from our garden and watch the stars. 4

The Fantastical



How are these pictures the same?

Flying Friends



How are they different?

Art by Carol Herring





Movie

What silly things do you see?





Bath Time for Milo

By Christyne Morrell ★ Art by Lesley Breen

After running, digging, and playing all day, Milo was muddy and sweaty and stinky!

“Bath time!” called Dad.

Milo cowered behind a bush.

“Milo doesn’t like baths,” said Jack. “But he loves running through water from the hose. I have an idea!”



“Great!” said Dad. “Now it’s time to add the shampoo.”

Milo’s ears went low.

“Milo doesn’t like shampoo,” said Jack. “But he loves bubbles. Bubble time, Milo!”



“I’m impressed,” said Dad. “Now we just need to scrub the dirt away.”

Milo whimpered.

“Milo doesn’t like being washed,” said Jack. “But he loves a good belly rub.”



Now Milo was nice and clean, but Jack was muddy!
“Let’s get washed up for dinner,” said Dad.
Jack groaned.
Dad grinned. “Bubble time, Jack!” 🍷

On the Vine

By Marguerite Chase McCue ★ Art by Elisa Ferro

On a long green vine
A blossom was showing.
Next thing you know,
A tomato was growing.

At first it was only
A little green lump.
But after water and sun,
It was red, ripe, and plump!

What colors do you see?

What else do you see?





English and Spanish

A Piñata for



Quinn

By Claire Annette Noland ★ Art by Violet Lemay



“What do you want for your birthday, Quinn?” asked Mom.

“**Quiero una piñata,**” said Quinn.

“You want a piñata? That’s a great idea! How about this star?” said Mom.

“How about this dragon?” asked her brother Tomie.

Quinn pointed to a unicorn piñata. “**Esta piñata,**” she said.

Quiero una piñata.

key-YEHR-oh oo-nah
pee-NYAH-tah
I want a piñata.

Esta piñata.

EHSS-tah pee-NYAH-tah
This piñata.



Su nombre es Sparkles.

SUE NOHM-breh EHSS

Sparkles

Her name is Sparkles.

“Su nombre es Sparkles,” said Quinn. Quinn tied a ribbon around Sparkles’s neck. She walked Sparkles, she fed Sparkles, and she napped with Sparkles.



On Quinn’s birthday, Mom put candy inside Sparkles. Then Dad raised her up.

“You can hit your piñata with this stick,” said Tomie.

Quinn looked at Sparkles. “No,” she cried.

Dad took Sparkles down, and Quinn gave her a big hug.



Then Tomie came and gave Quinn a paper bag with candy inside and a unicorn drawn on the outside.

“It’s a piñata,” said Tomie. “Let’s hang it up. Now you can have your piñata and Sparkles.”

“¡Muchas gracias!” said Quinn, and she gave her brother a big hug. 🍬

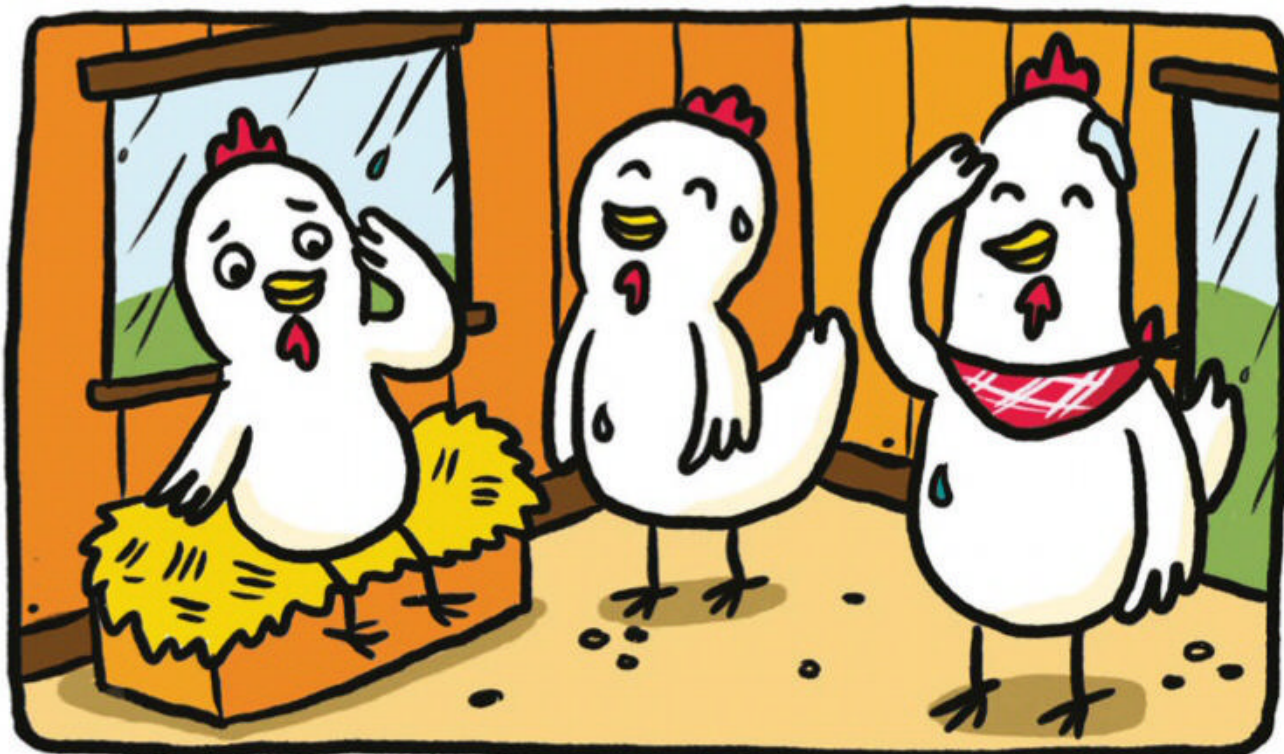
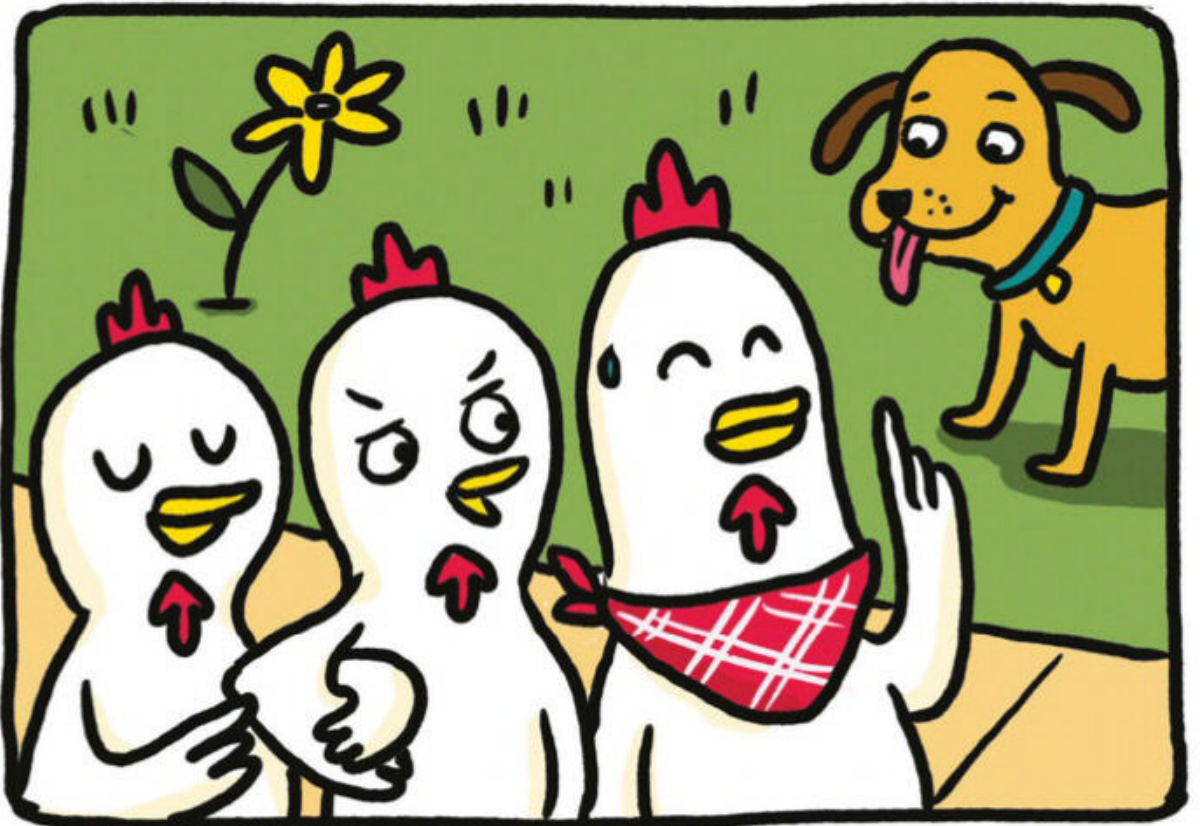
¡Muchas gracias!

MOO-chahss GRAH-see-yahss
Thank you!

FLYING THE COOP

By Joanna Banana ★ Art by Jannie Ho





Recipe

By Bonnie Baker ★ Photos by Jim Filipski, Guy Cali Associates, Inc.

Pretzels

Cereal

Silly Snacks

Sprinkles

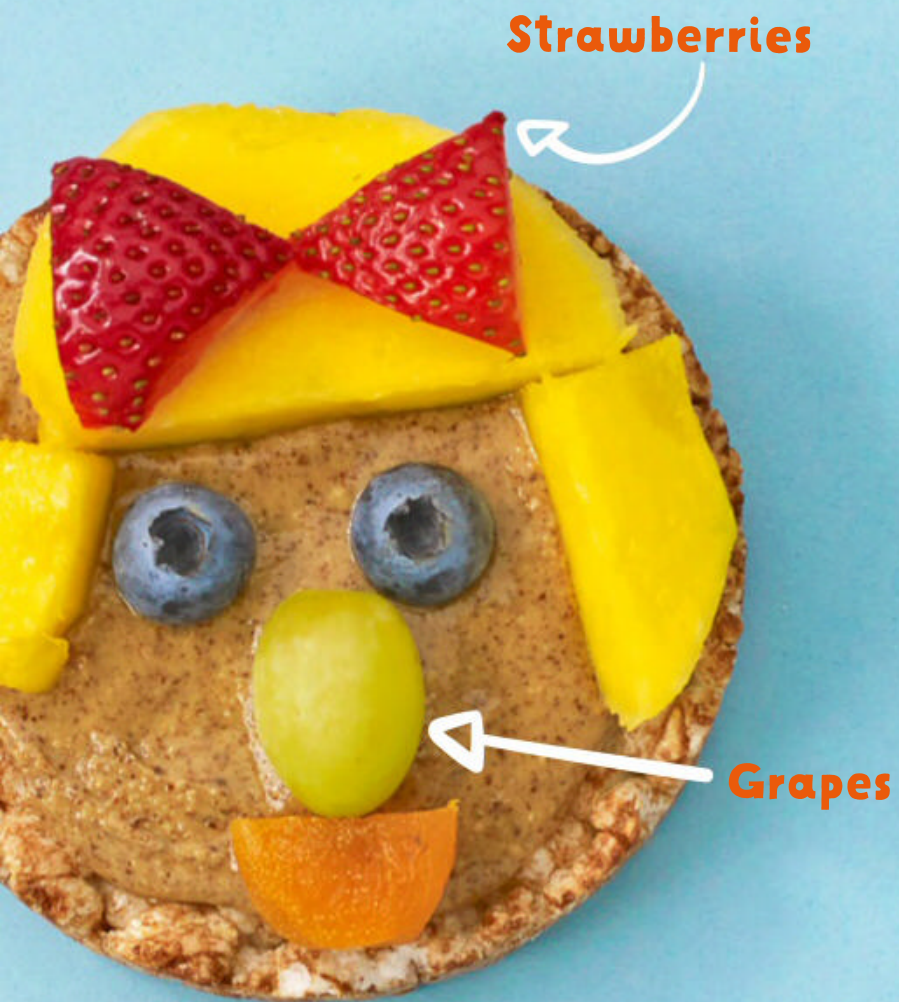
Blueberries

Dried Apricots

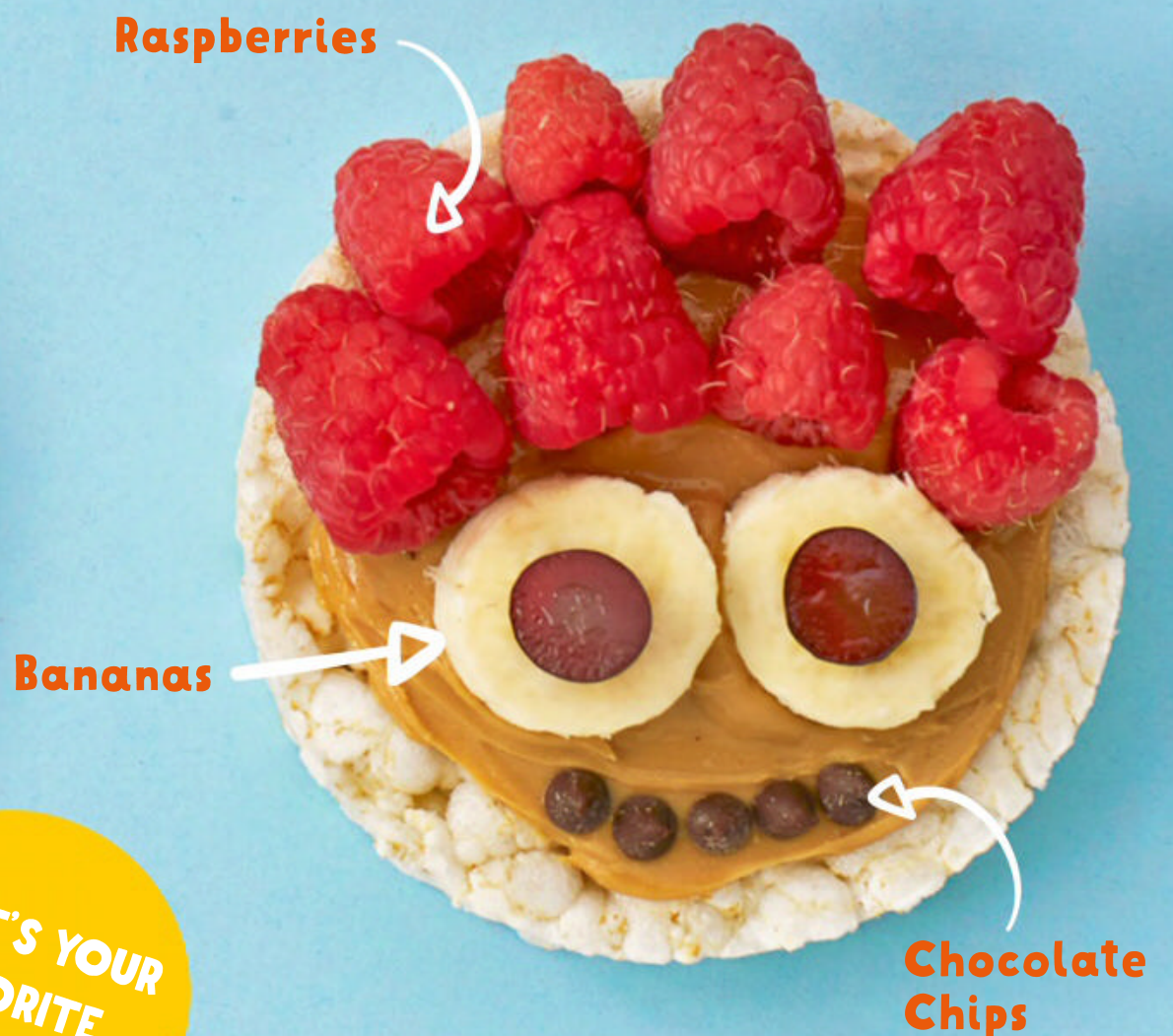
Mango

Coconut

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Spread nut butter on rice cakes and add toppings.



**WHAT'S YOUR
FAVORITE
TOPPING?**

Move It!

Handstand Kick

Art by Sam Wedelich



What other animals kick their back legs?

Pretend Play Lemonade



You Need

- ★ Yellow tissue paper
- ★ Cups
- ★ Cotton balls
- ★ Straws

1 Scrunch.

Scrunch the yellow tissue paper. Put it into the cups.

2 Add.

Add cotton balls for ice cubes. Add straws.

Show us your pretend drink at [Highlights.com/HighFive](https://www.Highlights.com/HighFive).

Thanks for reading!



Your High Five!



George, age 4, and **Eliza**, age 2, North Carolina (craft from February 2021)



Riley, age 4, California (craft from March 2021)



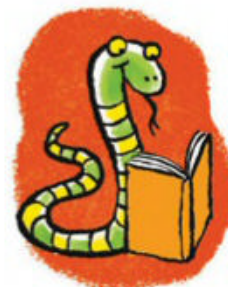
Jonah, age 6, Pennsylvania (recipe from March 2021)



Rosalind, age 9, and **Coral**, age 5, California (recipe from April 2021)



Which animals aren't reading a book?



Look for the hidden "Smiling 4" on the front cover.



You found the bat!